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SPOTSYLVANIA

Sudden Death of Mrs. Harris—Other Items.

Spotsylvania Co., Va., March 1st, 1907.
A remarkable and sad occurrence yesterday was the death of Mrs. J. J. Pulliam, near Shady Grove, and whilst Mr. R. Harris was assisting in funeral preparations, she fell dead. The corpse of Mrs. Harris was removed to her home later.

Interest in the improvement of our roads has brought out several individual ideas as to methods, and we must say those of Mr. Clark are quite practical, yet so few have written it up, and "winter closing" of the numerous holes and ruts. Your correspondent today was "stuck" in "the great hole" previously referred to and created some surprise by being mounted on the horse drawing an empty buggy, which was with difficulty extricated from the mire, and felt relieved to be able to get it home, but bill for repairs will be an added tax to property.

Feed of all kinds is scarce in this section. The "grippe of winter" still upon the land, causing the impression of "ground hog" theory to loom up in the minds of his friends as the falling flakes whiten the ground a few days ago.

Appropos of the roads we must say what we should hope, many are thinking that in view of the "Jamestown Exposition" during this year, when so many persons will visit this section, how important it is that we should have an "exhibit of good roads" not only for present and future benefit of residents, but so important in attracting settlers to occupy some of our unprofitable lands, yearly increasing in quantity in view of scarcity of labor and proper facilities for conveniently and rapidly getting produce to market, enabling us to more readily get on a better cash basis by utilizing such articles as can be produced easier than wheat, etc., and in less time.

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For those who have any form of blood disorders, who want new, rich blood and plenty of it, try this:
Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.
Shake well in a bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime. Any good pharmacy can supply the ingredients at small cost.

This is the prescription which, when made up, is called "The Vegetable Tonic" and is sold by all druggists. It is known to relieve serious, long-standing cases of rheumatism and chronic backache quickly.

Make some up and try it.

STAFFORD ITEMS

Stafford Co., Va., March 1, 1907.

Everything socially here is very quiet. Dinners and luncheons have given away to informal teas and musicales.

The dreadful condition of the roads here almost closed the churches. No services in Aquia P. E. C. or Parish Hall the past month.

Miss Mary Caldwell, of West Virginia, and Miss Ann Caldwell have visited Mrs. R. A. Moncreux the past week.

The arrival of Mr. D. Mercer Waller with his pack of hounds gave fresh zest to the fox hunter here. Mr. Waller is visiting his brother at Garrisonville.

With the advent of Lent, which was ushered in last Wednesday, society's devotees will divide their time between planning trips for the summer and going for post-Lenten social functions, some of them already being talked of.

Several weddings will be announced for Easter.

Mrs. Reese of Washington, is a guest of Mrs. John M. Lee.

Miss Mary Moncreux is a guest of Mrs. George V. Moncreux at "Bloomington."

Messrs. Henry Moncreux and Albert Speed, students of William and Mary College, who have been spending some time at their respective homes, returned to Williamsburg yesterday.

Mrs. Whitman Rathbone Smith, of Ontario, Canada, and Mrs. Lila Waller Barrett, will visit the Misses Waller at "Clifton" in the near future.

Mrs. Wickliffe Waller, who has been away for almost two years, is spending the winter with her son, Mr. Thos. J. Waller, at "Wayside."



HON. C. C. CARLIN.

The subject of this sketch, Charles C. Carlin, was born in Alexandria, April 8, 1866; his parents were the late William H. and Frances E. Carlin. His father was a Confederate soldier and died in 1870 from the effects of exposure to the enemy of the "Lost Cause," leaving a wife and four children.

At the early age of ten young Carlin had to begin to make his way in life, and assist his mother and sisters, as there was no pension for the soldiers of the Confederacy. He began life as an errand boy in a china store, at the munificent salary of 50c per week. In his spare moments he supplemented this work by selling newspapers, and turned over the proceeds of his labor to his mother. "Cyclone" Blood Purifier. It acts gently and certainly does wonders for some people who are sickly, weak and out of sorts, and is known to relieve serious, long-standing cases of rheumatism and chronic backache quickly.

Make some up and try it.

He saved sufficient from his salary to justify him in returning to Alexandria in 1885, when he began the study of law at the National Law University in Washington, D. C., which school he graduated with honors.

While studying law, he acted as Deputy Treasurer of the City of Alexandria, in the office of Mr. M. B. Harlow, who was at that time Treasurer.

The late Judge Charles E. Stuart appointed him Clerk of the Court of the Corporation Court. Immediately upon graduating he began the practice of law in Alexandria and has continued in the practice.

When 25 years old he married Miss Lillian Broderick, daughter of Mr. Joseph Broderick, one of the most prominent business men of the City of Alexandria.

In 1892 he was elected a member of the Board of Aldermen of the Third Ward of the city, and while serving in that capacity was appointed by President Cleveland, Post-Master of the city. When he entered upon the duties of Post-Master he found the most important position in the office, that of Assistant Post-Master, held by a Republican, and although a large number of the leading citizens petitioned him to retain the assistant in office, Mr. Carlin held that the same reasons which applied to the removal of the Republican Post-Master, applied to the removal of the assistant, and therefore he appointed a Democratic ex-Confederate soldier to the office.

While Post-Master, Mr. Carlin continued to practice law. In 1896, although having been appointed by Mr. Cleveland to the important position of Post-Master, he was elected, earnestly and warmly supported by William Jennings Bryan for President, as his party's nominee. From his majority he has taken an active part in politics, City, State, and National, and has been prominent in the Conventions of the District and State, and in 1904 was elected for the Eighth Congressional District, in which capacity he stumped the entire District, his speeches being among the most able and eloquent delivered in that campaign in this section.

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KING GEORGE

The Bridge Over Muddy Creek—Other Items—Personals.

King George C. H., Va., March 1, 1907.
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Smith accompanied by their son, Midshipman W. Taylor Smith, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Allen Smith, have returned to Fredericksburg.

Mr. R. W. Washington, of Washington, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. T. Withers Boggs, has returned.

Mr. Lewis Prioleau, who has been visiting his parents near Hampstead, has returned to Washington.

Funeral services will be held in the P. E. church of the county by Rev. B. T. Turner as follows: St. John's every Wednesday at 3 o'clock p. m., at Emanuel every Thursday at 3 o'clock p. m., and at St. Paul's every Friday at 2 o'clock p. m.

The bridge to be built by the Nelson Construction Company over the stream known as Muddy creek, will be of iron, five feet long, five feet above low water, upon concrete abutments. It is to be five feet below low water mark, with a twelve-foot road way. Said bridge to be completed by July 15th next.

Miss Kate Lee Montgomery, who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Frances Arnold, has returned to Fredericksburg.

Miss Frances Arnold is visiting relatives in Fredericksburg.

Mrs. John S. Dickinson and Miss Lucy Lewis, who have been visiting relatives in Washington, have returned.

NEW VIEWS ON MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

A look on the "Dangers of Municipal Ownership," by Robert P. Porter, Director of the Washington Post, a position which he has just been published.

Some of Mr. Porter's conclusions are as follows:

It is a city government's business to govern, not to regulate, not to acquire, not to manage in competition with its taxpayers.

Municipal ownership has been largely developed in the latter country, where it has been captured by socialists, who are not accounting to their theories. The enterprises operated by municipalities seldom on never pay, their alleged "profits" being shown by cooking municipal accounts. They do not reduce taxes.

They create vast municipal debts, raise taxes, drive away private industries, and corrupt local politics and debauch the voter.

Municipal ownership hits the small taxpayer hardest, because it involves big debt and taxes for many things he seldom or never sees.

It flourishes in Russia and Australia, where it ruins private industry—but for the most part has been rejected so far in the United States.

Municipal ownership increases the cost of doing business, raises rents and lessens the wages of private industries.

Experience has exploded the contention that the municipality can do things cheaper than private concern.

These subjects are being discussed in every city and town and the book is one of great interest.

MOTIONS OVERRULED

Scott Sentenced To Serve Term in Penitentiary.

In the Corporation Court Thursday afternoon Judge Goodrich heard the motion of counsel for George Scott to set aside the verdict of the jury finding him guilty of unlawful assault on contrary to the law and evidence, which motion was overruled. Argument was then heard on a motion in arrest of judgment for error for selecting a jury. The point urged by the defense as error has never been decided by the highest court of this State, but on the authority of a case in point decided by the Supreme Court of West Virginia, the court overruled the motion and granted the defense fifteen days suspension of sentence, in which time attorney for Scott may prepare a bill of exception for appeal.

ENTERTAINED HER FRIENDS

Miss Grace Melrose, daughter of Mr. Thos. J. McGhee, was the hostess of a number of ladies and gentlemen at her home on Main street Thursday night. Games and social converse were engaged in until a late hour when delicious refreshments were served.

The guests were Mesdames P. L. Harris and C. H. Medina, Misses Lillian Harris, Annie Nicholson, Bessie Clark, Eva Downey, Virginia Clark, Alice Middleton and Minerva Clark; Messrs. P. L. Harris, R. L. Williams, E. Downey, A. Curtis, W. B. Jenkins, B. F. Whitner, John Fernighough, O. P. Seward, Lewis Clark, Irvin Medina, L. Downey and Willie Melrose.

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MAYOR MCCARTHY TO RICHMOND'S CITY COUNCIL

In a recent address before the City Council of Richmond, Mayor McCarthy emphasized the following points:

I hope there is nobody too fearful to say that we ought to own our own light plant.

It is the solemn duty of the Council to protect the city against arrogant monopoly.

SAW SEA SERPENT

Monster, Spouting Blood Red Liquid, Near Wrecked Launch.

Atlantic City, N. J., March 2.—Captain H. H. Parker, of the gasoline launch Golden Breeze, arrived home after a startling trip to sea. When about seven miles off Ocean City the captain says his launch was so badly damaged by a sea monster that he was forced to put into Great Egg Harbor Bay. When the launch struck the sea monster the propeller was torn away.

Captain Parker says the monster was about 100 feet long, looked like a sea serpent, blew like a whale, but instead of water being spouted the fluid emitted was of blood-red hue, and made the water around the boat as red as blood.

The captain and his crew of six men say that they will make affidavits that the story is true in every particular.

Captain Parker says that he discovered the wreck of a four-masted schooner a few miles off Ocean City. The topmast was several feet out of water, and was painted black while the spars were painted yellow. About a distance from where the schooner was located another wreck, apparently that of a barge, was sighted.

ALCOHOL BILL PASSED

Measure Allows Farmers to Make Denatured Article.

Washington, March 2.—The denatured alcohol bill passed the senate by a vote of 55 to 1. Senator Pettus, of Alabama, casting the negative vote. This action was taken after the committee amendment requiring the presence of a government storekeeper when ever alcohol is being manufactured had been defeated by a vote of 47 to 16. The bill, as passed, contains one amendment placed in it by the senate, that permitting rum to be denatured, and consequently the measure must be returned to the house for action. The bill is intended to make it possible for farmers to establish stills of limited capacity for the manufacture of alcohol to be denatured.

ROLL OF HONOR

Public School No. 3, in Chancellor district, Spotsylvania county, for 5th month ending Feb. 28, 1907.

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PUBLIC SALE

OF

Small Tract of Land

Near Thorsburg, Va.

Pursuant to decree of the Circuit court of Spotsylvania in the chancery cause of Hudson vs. Hudson and others, entered November 7, 1900, and December 3, 1906, having given the bond required by decree of November 7, 1900, the undersigned special commissioner will, before the courthouse of Spotsylvania county, at 12:30 o'clock p. m., on

Monday, April 1, 1907,

offer for sale to the highest bidder, that small tract of land near or at Thorsburg, Va., containing 35 acres more or less, known as the Hudson or Hart land, and fully described in the papers of the above-mentioned chancery cause.

Terms of Sale—One-third cash, balance in two equal annual installments, bearing interest and payable in one and two years' time from the date of sale and secured by deed of trust or title reserved, or all cash at the option of the purchaser.

ALVIN T. EMBREY,

In the Clerk's office of the Circuit court of the county of Spotsylvania, Hudson et al., plaintiffs, against Hudson et al., defendants, I, T. A. Harris, clerk of the said court, do hereby certify that the bond required of the special commissioner by the decree rendered in said cause on the 9th day of May, 1906, has been duly given. Given under my hand as clerk of the said court this 7th day of February, 1907.

T. A. HARRIS, Clerk.

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